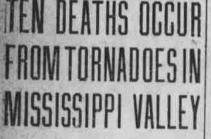
THE EVENING TELEGRAM Today's Weather Forecast VOL-IX. NO. 299. ROCKY MOUNT, N. C., THURSDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 31, 1917. PRICE: FIVE CENTS MARINE CORPS HERO



* Over Fifty Persons Injured in Windstorms in Missouri and Illinois

MANY FREAKS PLAYED BY TERRIFFIC WINDS

Wind Puts Block Signal into **Operation** and Warns a Train Carrying 400 Passengers Who watch Storm Destroy Whole Village.

St. Louis, May 31 .- Tornadoes in Mis ouri and Southern Illinois vesterday caused the death of at least 10 person and the injury of 50 or more, according to advices here today from the the vari is communities over which the storn [nased]

An automatic block signal on the Iron Mountain railroad year Mineral Point Missouri, put into operation by the wine vacued a M uphis St. Louis train, car iving 490 passengers, who watched th destroy the village and then gay aid of the injured. A number of frenks were reported, one being the experience of the station agents who was standin with his arm about the shouldors of Thomas Lemasters, conductor, when the Mineral Point station was demolished. The agent excaped unhart, while the conductor was killed.

A thrilling race with the tornado was on by the engineer of the Missipa an Bonnieterre passenger train near Min-eral Point and possibly saved the lives became visable the conductor ordered the engineer to put on full speed in m effort to out run the storm. The storm followed the train for more than a milbefore it changed.

TOWN WIPED OUT BY A TORNADO

St. Louis, Mo., May 31 - A tornadtwisted into Mineral Point, Mo, a vil lage of about 300 inhabitants, yester day afternoon, killed four persons and injured 30, demolished the town with the exception of the school house, and then moved southward to Eye, where Fred Harper, a farmor, was killed by flying debris. Two conches of an Iron Mountain

local running between Min ral Point and Potosi were blown from the track, and it was in this wreekage that the ductor Lemasters and Flagman Boone were killed.

EIGHT TRUNKS OF WHISKEY SEIZED



Provost Marshal General Enoch H. Crowder.

General Crowder has made public an official guide showing how men required to register under the selective draft law should answer the twelve questions on the registration cards. He warns would-be slackers that they cannot secure exemption merely by claiming it and says, "Do not hide behind petticoats or children."

second Regiment, North Carolina Na ional Guard, has enlisted William Hen erson, from this city, in the national RACE RIOTS RECUR uard. He will be stationed with Comany G. either at Bocky Mount or at AT EAST ST. LOUIS combated in the Company G. Second cgiment. With these five and the six Disturbances Are marked an Nashville, this will make fourteen

with Decreasing Violence. However. Militia Apparently Has Situation in Hand.

A. C. L. EMPLOYES East St. Louise May 3L-Anti-negro; ciots which began Monitay night have HERE BUY BONDS seared each night, but with decreas ng violence and the they tong command The adicials of the Atlantic Coast ing the six companies of Illinois Na ional ganads, now on duty, declared to , ne Railway are aiding in the sale of aborty Loan Bonds, by buying them lay that he believed the officials had be struction well in hand and that or any employe in any department of he company's service and allowing the are would be little more disturbance uphyces to reinhurs, the company o Last night despite the fact that the ity was putrolled by police, actives undered and special deputies 70 merhe installment plan. This has made i asy for any employe receiving a mod st salary to purchase a boud and as a esult of the opportunity offered by the oud, nearly every employe of the elecided should after the solocia ald

at 6 a work and logan a search fo is. One was shot and wound e Iwonothers were braten with fist-office and warned to fease town



nd 100.331 men. war munitions now raising \$25,000,090 The British offensive on the Arra front involving some of the several ighting on the war, naturally has realted over the increase in the winte

NATIONAL GUARD Casualties for the post severa onths. ouths have been received, but in Fel at organizations of the city, who was reseal were: Mr. Percy Thigpen, o must they were only 1243 offers an Sorgeant M. H. Grant, G. Company he Merchants association; B. B. Davis

The assortion of the British that their losses are 50 per cent smaller than in the battle of Somme note Rhatanding the fact that larger forces are engaged are not horne out by the May figures al Furburo. This makes three young nen through in the absence of the ensualties hat have enlisted in the national guard report for April carly in which the of Mrs. H. R. Thorpe of the Woman's Club; J. T. Bailey, representing the Rocky Mount Concert Band; Mrs. Hea fensive was launched the showing is not re since the Governor's call for 5,000 onclusive. The casualties recorded in ry Horne and Mrs. L. D. Ballek, of the

the first three months of the Somme Girl Scouts; Mr. Frank Fagan of th Also five recruits from Washington, C., passed through this morning on drive were 307,169 officers and men. In hamber of Commerce; Mrs. W. E. Fen cir way to Goldsboro, where they will August of last year the second month of ner for the Red Cross and former Mayo the Somme battle the easualties were L. F. Tillery:

127,945 as compared with 112,233 for Mrs. Henry Horne and Mrs. L. D. May the second month of the Arras Bollack were appointed as a committe battle.

for securing proper badges to be pin ned on the white men of the city who register on June 5. Mrs. W. E. Fenne **CLOSING EXERCISES** and Mrs. H. R. Thorpe were appointed a committe to solicit members for the Red Cross chapter. It should be borne in mind that gentlemen as well as la dies are eligible to membership to th FRIDAY NIGHT

Red Cross and it is hoped that a great number of men of the city will join he Red Cross chapter. The chapter ill begin active work as soon as the harter is received.

net this morning and outlined a pro-

ram for the observance of Jone 5 as

Mayor T. T. Thorne, presided at the secting, Representativ a from differ

Ir., chairman of the Liberty Loan Bone

committee, who will head the canvas

Rev. R. C. Uraven, for Boy Scouts

atriotic event;

Class of Twenty Will Gradu-It also must be understood that colred prople as well as white are to take art in the exercises Tuesday. Mrs. C. F. ate From High School. and Mrs. J. W. Brynn, two pretni High School Musicale Todent colored women of the city, were appointed as a committee for securing and receiving their quart of whisky stoper badges to pin on the colored m n that register on registration day and

regularly. The authorities have had reason to believe that they were not twenino to secure members for the colored The commencement exercises of the Rocky Mount public schools will come to a conclusion Friday night when the exercises of the graduating class will come the parade will begin at 5 o'clock p. The parade will begin at 5 o'clock p. The parade will begin at 5 o'clock p. The parade will form at the big ing at the corner of Tarboro and Main streets. From there the marchers will Red Cross chapter that has already been ty one years old, but they had no way

Have It Hard.

tween eighteen and twenty years of



The Artillery on Both Sides About the Arras Front Front Continues Lively Firing at Long Range According to Reports.

Desperate attempts by the Germans to such back the French from the vantage ground won in the recent attacks in

the Champagne have been renewed. As a whole the French line remained ntact under the successive severe blows dcors just as they were being closed, was first inside, and without the loss lealt it today in a sustained effort of of a single man, but with eight of his original detachment of twelve men wounded, succeeded in en-turing the fort. an extremely violent character. The front was dented at only one point and this but slightly, the German troops gaining a footing in some trenches ortheast of Monthaut,

Along the British line in France the omparative quiet continued broken in to only by the trench raids. Increasing artillery activity from the Arras battlefront is regorted, however, today and the big guns from both sides have started up again somewhat in lively fashion near Bullecourt and furth north along the Scarpe east of Arras. further

The political situation in Spain is be All Who Have Been Getting ing watched particularly in view of today's newspaper reports. Newspapers announced in Madrid ing Their Quart That Do Not

that the constitutional guarantees would Register Are Going to shortly again be suspended. For-mer Fremier Romanones is quated as declaring that conditions in the country which is known to be suffering keenly in a general economic way from the

way as well as directly from submarine Registration day will case the minds sinkings were, become graver every hour, lie considered the recent great meeting of pro-ally sympathizers as of enormous importance and as perhaps likely to "exercise a greater influence on foreign than on home politics." of the judge and solicitor of Nash county in one resepct. In a certain community of Nash, which is more or less lawless, there are a number of young fellows, who are said to be somewhere be

TWO CHARGED WITH age, and who are paying their taxes MURDERING UNCLE

Fayetteville, May 31 .- Carl and Arthur Armstrong, young men of good family, were placed un trial in Superlor court here yesterday on a join indictment for the murder of their uncle Neill Averitt, at Stedman, on March 28. A jury was examined before adjournment this afternoon. One of these

natisfaction did the person to where the desting attracted the mational eight tranks of whiskey wave destroad guard-main who seen diagonal it. There gammi-main who show dispersed it. There was no curther transite much early to dry when three shuts were hard from got early Wednesday neursing if he happened to be about where the courses day when three shots were fired from mest was placed on tuncks much the the same story of a house at a group a hield at the motion station. The tracks of a point discovery of a house of a group were at once sciend by police and the are light. None of the gaurdsmet with a gaurdsmet with a starter boot. The content of the starter with the starter boot. The content of the starter with the starter boot.
576 more pints than it did the day to be starter boot. fore. It was about davlight vester-day when Captain Warren and Datroland Steph

enson and Fester hauled up the eight trunks to headquarters after guarding FORMER VETERAN about six hours after the trunks wer taken from a mathband Scaleard train. They bore chocks from Washington.

the largest single had made by police in many months. Since the new admin-istration went into office, the police have acized 26 tranks for a total of 1.852 pints of whiskey.

COTTON MARKET

NewsYork, May 31, Cotton futures maned steady, July 2175; October Berry, compounder of the First Ten 21.40; December 21.46; January 24.49; March 21.65.

New York, May 31.- The cotton mar-ket showed renewed strength early today. The opening was firm at an ad vance of 22 to 30 points with July selling at 21.50 and October, 21.40 and with most of the active positions making new high ground for the movement. This advance encountered heavy realized new high ground for the movement. This advance enemintered heavy realizing and there were reactions of several points eight after the call but offerings were well enough absorbed to give the market a steady undertone.

STOCK MARKET

New York, May 31 .- Resumption of market operations over the holiday in dicated a further accumulation of buy ing orders. Leaders opened at gains of 1 to 2 points rails alone displaying som hesitation, United States Steel was the overshudowing feature on its initia transactions at an extreme advance of 1 1-2 points and a fraction above its previous maximum. Independent Steel

previous maximum. Independent Steel Durham, N. C., May 31.-The second shares registered advances also Marine hospital ambulance from Durham for

a this manner. Without hardly an exud in this manner are doing their du-Democracy

UNSTINTED PRAISE

AONTHER MAN FOR

en cullsted for the guard in the last eck in this vicinity of the State.

All who wish to enlist in the organ

ution can see Sergeant Grant at Grif n's Drug Store and he will be glad to

explain any particulars as to the or-anization. It is hoped that others will allow these fourteen young men and

at staff statumed here has suffserified

o cue or more bonds. This is charac-

eristic of the whole system of the Coast

uswer the call of the Guvernor.

DIES SUDDENDLY

nin. They have checks from Washing m. The whisk w captured vo-to-day was

Ratherfor ton, N. C., for burial there.

KILLED IN FALL FROM A BRIDGE

Nushville, May 315 Col. Harry S ne ee Infantry unnanneed today the

death of Private George W. Moore of UNEARTH PLOT Knoxville, where he felt from a Louis ville and Nasiville bridge where he was PREVENT REGISTERING guarding. His sister resides at Scot hand Nevk, N. C.



copaganda plot with national head parters in this city organized to in- lows:

gistration for conscription next Tues lay, has been uncovered by State and the plot which was said to have extend

I into many States became knows Mrs. L. L. Morchead and Mr. when United States marshals raided a

all the propaganda literature was print and Mrs. J F. Wiley Give and distributed. It was stated that

Machine For Service In the plot appeared to be well financed and well organized.



France.

Raleigh, May 31,-Governor Bickett mares registered advances, has a marine preferred, American Smelting and sev-eral specialties. Sugars were again conspirences and strong. Steel extended its raise another fraction in the first half hour, other industrials keeping pace. Is a set of approximately \$1,000. Assembly at Wrightsville Beach.

eption every man and woman employ if in the offices here bought their bouid ranged by the pupils. ranged by the pupils. The last session of the schools has

w to help Uncie Sam fight the sight of heen the most successful and a percent tible increase in the number of pupils over the preceding year was noted. The

work of the schools has gone forward in

night.

today that with one exception all the spin school will take plane at \$3.0 o'clock, the spin school will take plane at \$3.0 o'clock, the spin school program has already has al

Columbus, Ohio, May 31 .- A gigantie Isaac Gordon Vestal.

luce young men of military age ali aver the United States to refrain from registration for conscription next Tues. History-Gladys Keel.

Trophies Elizabeth Pemberton. Awarding of diplomas and medals-Mr. Thomas H. Battle. Thomas H. Battle. Presentation of Bibles-Reverend Fred-

erick Dichl.

Song-Junior Class. Senior Response. Vale lietory -- Graham Horne.

Last Requests and Demands-Mamie Porter.

by the senior class, assisted by Louis Novey, '19, and [William Shaw; 20.)

Farewoll Song-Senior Class.

of the high school weathered the stories of the so far successfully and will grad unte at that time. An excellent pro-proceed to Braswell park where a short patriotic service will be held. There gress passed the selective draft measare these prominent local speakers on the program and the singing of patrithe program and the of picked singers 30 in the United States on June 5. of the city will also be on the program at Braswell park, besides a band concert by the Rocky Mount Concert band.

by the Bocky Mount Concert band. The line of march will be us follows: The parade will be led by the local band idea of registering and being conscript

COAST COMPANIES Raleigh, May 31.—Too much caunch be said u praise of the const artillery companies of the North Carolina Nat onal guard, according to Cupt. W. H. Prec, United States army, who has re-the mits are located. Capt. Pare said the should remembers to the graphic at the propils of the mits are located. Capt. Pare said toolay that with one exception all the solution at vanious points where the mits are located. Capt. Pare said toolay that with one exception all the solution at vanious points where the solution at vanious points where

STOP ALL MEN WHO

e day of registration, June 5th.

MUST REGISTER

Ediwin Ferebee Dute, Winnie Phoebe Green, Graham Daniel Horn, Fannie Hamilton, Mary Gladys Keey, Eliza himiliters of the active congregations Sour to this most bis hoped that all the ministers of the sity will follow this plan and will do their share in impress Jacob Thomas, Chaide Treygthan and Lange Gordon Vestal. How work of the Red Cross in the distance of the first frequence of the invited to attend. The purpose of the source will be benched on the first the purpose of this movement is to reduce the high christine Robbins, Robert Gray Ruffin, Mary Louisa Ruffin, Mary Delilah Ross Jacob Thomas, Chaide Treygthan and Lange Gordon Vestal.

Mary Louisa Ruffin, Mary Delilah Ross, Mary Louisa Ruffin, Mary Delilah Ross, Mary Louisa Ruffin, Mary Delilah Ross, Incob Thomas, Claude Treyathan and Isaac Gordon Vestal. The program for Friday night fol-ows: Salutatory-Edwia Duke. Invocation, Universe Gladys Ked. getting the representatives together this that do not register are going to have merning and also in the formulation of one of two hard coals to travel.

> state is going to have a higger celebration of registration day than this city will, Lei everybody come out and help make registration day the biggest pa rantic event in the history of the cuty

Phopheey-Neffic Robbins, (Presented RAILWAY COMPANIES

ing of the commission here on June 6th. mittee.

was an eye-witness, while others testi-fied to statements made by the defendure, which provides for the registration ants before and after the shooting in-of all men between the ages of 21 and tended by the State to prove first degree murder.

The case will probably be concluded tomorrow.

NORWAY'S LOSS OF

TO GIVE CONCERT

Goldsboro, May 31.-On June 11th the children of the Orphan Home are going to give in Goldsboro a magni ficent musical concert in celebration of

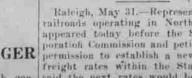
the twen-fifth anniversary of the es-tabliabments of their Home-the Odd Fellows Orphana Home at Goldsboro. On the 10th day of May, twenty-five years ago there was established in Goldsboro by the Odd Fellows of the State of North Carolina the Odd Fel-

Washington, May 31 -- It was ananneed to ay that steps had been taklows Orphan Home for the care, mainen to prevent young men subject to tenance, and education of the orphan registration from leaving the country children of Odd Fellows who are without means of support.

From a very modest beginning the institution has rown to large propor-tions, with beautiful grounds and splen-

Farewell Song-Senior Class. SEABOARD NAMES NEW GEN. MANAGER New GEN. MANAGER Norfolk, May 31.—C. L. Friteb, gen-cral manager of the Canadian Northern Railroad, has been appointed general manager of the Seaboard Air Line, ae-corling to C. S. Lake, resigned.

ASKING FOR RAISE Raleigh, May 31.-Representatives of STAT ECOUNSEL



print shop and office where practically

everyment secret service agents, ac-rding to an announcement made this effermoon by Governor Cox. Details of